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At page 1, line 22 thereof, please delete the section heading "<u>Description of the invention</u>" and insert the following new section heading and new paragraph:

--BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates, in general, to clear, alkanolamide- and water-free cosmetic preparations for use in skin and hair care with a defined content of a mixture of fatty acid (polyglycol) esters, fatty alcohol (polyglycol) ethers, polyols and/or alk(en)yl oligoglycosides, and one or more oil components.--

At page 2, line 12 thereof, please insert the following new section heading:
--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION--

At page 20, please delete the entire paragraph beginning on line 22 thereof and bridging pages 20 and 21; and insert the following new paragraph at page 20, line 22:

--To produce oil baths, different quantities of various oils were added to the alkanolamide-free surfactant formulation (a):

(a) 45% by weight of fatty acid (polyglycol) ester (alkanolamide-free), 45% by weight of fatty alcohol polyglycol ethers (Dehydol® LS 4 DEO-N, Henkel KGaA) and 10% by weight of polyol (propylene glycol, alkanolamide-free, Henkel KGaA). and the oil baths obtained were tested for clouding and shelf life at room temperature or 8°C (stable = +). The quantity ratios of surfactant to oil used and the results are set out in Table 1. Oil baths containing surfactant formulation (a) are distinguished by good foam properties and good refatting.--

At page 22, between lines 1 and 2, please add the following new paragraph:
--What is claimed is:--.

On a separate, new page 24, following page 23, please add the following new section heading and paragraph containing an Abstract of the Disclosure: